GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Public Services - APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991- Deputy Collectors- Smt.Ch.Gowthami kumari, Deputy Collector, presently working as District Minority Welfare Officer, Ongole, Prakasam District - Failed to render services as Special Officer for Gudlur Coastal mandal during cyclone time and left the head -quarters without taking prior permission of the District Collector during emergency situation - Placed under suspension under sub rule (1) of rule 8 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 - Orders - Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.914

<u>Dated:28-10-2014.</u> Read:

From the Collector, Prakasam District, Lr.Rc.No.2879/2014, dt.12-10-2014.

ORDER:

In the reference read above, the Collector, Prakasam District has reported that the Meteorological Department, Visakhapatnam had issued alerts indicating that deep depression over North Andaman sea and intensified into a Cyclonic storm "HUD HUD" and warnings also stipulates that heavy to very heavy rains may occur at most places over Krishna, Guntur and Prakam Districts. The Hon'ble Chief Minister of A.P., and the Chief Secretary have conducted Video Conferences and issued several instructions to take all precautionary, relief and rescue operations including to ensure to stay all District Officers at Head quarters and to cancel leaves of employees and to open the control rooms across the state to tackle the emergency situation effectively. The District Collector, Prakasam District, appointed Special Officers to over-see the precautionary and preventive measures in respect of all 11 coastal Mandals. As part of this arrangement, Smt. Ch.Gowthami Kumari, District Minority Welfare Officer, Ongole, Prakasam District, who is working in the cadre of Deputy Collector (Deputation from Revenue Department) was appointed as Special Officer for Gudur Mandal. The Joint Collector and the District Revenue Officer have personally talked with the said Officer to come and receive the orders and proceed immediately to Gudur Mandal. But, the Accused Officer. deaf eared and did not heed the request made by the aforesaid Officers. Moreover, the Accused Officer left the head quarters during the emergency cyclone time without obtaining the prior permission of the District Collector, which shows her callousness over the Higher Officers and caused inconvenience to the District Administration which is unbecoming for a Government Servant. The action of the District Minority Welfare Officer, Ongole, Prakasam District, shows negligence and dereliction of duties; callousness over higher officers which comes within the ambit of misconduct under CCA and Conduct Rules during emergency situation i.e., Cyclone time. Therefore, the District Collector, Prakasam District has requested the Government to place Smt.Ch. Gowthami Kumari under suspension and take appropriate disciplinary action for the negligence and deriliction of duties; callousness over higher officers.

- 2. And whereas, disciplinary proceedings against Smt. Ch.Gowthami Kumari, District Minority Welfare Officer, Ongole, Prakasam District, (Deputation from Revenue Department) are contemplated.
- 3. And whereas the Government after careful consideration of the available material and having due regard to the circumstances of the case is satisfied that it is necessary to withdraw her services from the Minority Welfare Department, and to place Smt. Ch. Gowthami Kumari, District Minority Welfare Officer, Ongole, Prakasam District, (Deputation from Revenue Department in the cadre of Deputy Collector) under suspension. Accordingly, her services from the Minority Welfare Department as District Minority Welfare Officer, Ongole, are hereby withdrawn.
- 4. Now therefore, the Government in exercise of the powers conferred under sub rule (1) of rule 8 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 hereby place, Smt.Ch.Gowthami Kumari, Deputy Collector, presently working as District Minority Welfare Officer, Ongole, Prakasam District, under suspension with immediate effect and she shall remain under suspension until further orders.

- 5. It is further ordered that during the period of this order remains in force the head quarters of Smt.Ch.Gowthami kumari, Deputy Collector, presently working as District Minority Welfare Officer, Ongole, Prakasam District shall be Ongole, Prakasam District and she shall not leave the headquarters without obtaining the prior permission of the undersigned.
- 6. It is further ordered that during the period of suspension Smt. Ch. Gowthami Kumari, Deputy Collector, presently working as District Minority Welfare Officer, Ongole, Prakasam District shall be paid subsistence allowance as per rules in vogue.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

J.C. SHARMA PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Smt.Ch.Gowthami kumari, Deputy Collector, presently working as District Minority Welfare Officer, Ongole, Prakasam District. (Through CCLA, Hyderabad) The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Hyderabad. The District Collector, Prakasam District.

Copy to

The Revenue (Ser.I) Department.
The Minority Welfare Department, A.P. Secretariat, Hyderabad.
The Commissioner, Minority Welfare Department, A.P., Hyderabad.
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SECTION OFFICER